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REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37 CFR 1.121)

Dear Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) mailed on October 25, 2007.

A list of claims with the proper status identifiers is shown below in the LIST OF CLAIMS section beginning on page 2.